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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is submitted in response to the outstanding final Office Action dated August 28, 2002, in the above-identified application.

REMARKS

The present application was filed on September 3, 1999 with claims 1-25. Claims 1-25 are currently pending in the present application.

In the final Office Action dated August 28, 2002, the Examiner rejected claims 1-25 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,289,501 (hereinafter "Seshadri") in view of admitted prior art from page 6 of the present application.

In this response, Applicants respectfully traverse the §103(a) rejection, and request reconsideration of the present application.